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Thinking Out Loud

H. M. L.

In this country we have tried to steer clear of class distinctions. Varying degrees of wealth tend to set up social barriers, but as a matter of fact, the barriers have always been rather thin and unstable. The pretty waitress that brings you your morning stack of wheats and coffee may tomorrow be the wife of a cattle king or a textile tycoon. The bootblack who gives your shoes a beautiful polish may next year be the proprietor of a fashionable hotel in the heart of the social whirl of a metropolis. You never can tell. Democracy is full of those chances and opportunities. If there are social barriers in this democracy of ours, they don't exercise much restraint upon adventurous and ambitious men and women.

We are commenting thusly because of reading in the papers that the First Lady, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt Roosevelt, otherwise the President's wife, has stepped into the verbal fray regarding the changes proposed by her husband in the country's judicial system. Now we think it a very natural and wifely thing for Mrs. Roosevelt to espouse and champion her husband's cause. The fact that most of her predecessors in the White House have kept strictly to their social knitting, have let "politics" and party policies flow serenely by without plunging into the stream, has nothing to do with the case. In a democracy we think that the President's wife should have her say along with Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Jones.

However, when the President's wife speaks, her words will naturally attract more attention than what the wives of Tom, Dick and Harry say. People will weigh her words. Though we shouldn't do so, from the White House we expect oracles. Now the Associated Press quotes her as saying:

"The opposition to the program apparently arises from upper middle class persons opposed to social legislation. From what they say they have something material they fear to lose."

This sounds so much like tea-party chatter that we hesitate to comment upon it. But there are certain arresting revelations the First Lady makes of her mind that, to say the least, are intriguing. For instance this allusion to upper middle class persons. It sounds like an importation from a gathering of England's nobility and patricians of the Realm. In England classes are recognized without a blush. It is that kind of a democracy. There is the nobility, or the patrician class. There is the upper middle class consisting of bankers, manufacturers and people who have grubbed for their money and piled up a lot of it. There is the lower middle classes, which includes small shop owners, small professional people and teachers, and finally at the bottom are the masses (pronounced mahsses.)

In this country if we are forced to deliminate our classes, there is first the patricians, namely those who arrived in the Mayflower or earlier and made money and kept it. Then there is the upper middle class which Mrs. Roosevelt refers to, whose ancestors, or themselves, made money and kept it. The lower middle class which constantly hopes to be upper middle class, who are on the make in whatever vocation they follow. But under the lower middle class, in this country there are only the hoboes, no mahsses. This for the reason that every man jack in this country hopes and expects to move into a larger house, a better motor car, or marry a prettier woman, than his neighbor has. In other words our social strata are in a constant state of flux.

It would be presumptious of course to charge our First Lady with a bit of undemocratic condension in speaking of the "upper classes." Her family and that of her husband belong to the American patrician class, if there is such a class; Old Dutch, there is nothing much higher in the social register unless it be the Virginia Cavaliers. But we mildly suspect that Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt has made another of those social faux pas that since her arrival in the national spot light have done so much

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HUNGRY BOB CAT CHEATED OF DINNER

CAMPTONVILLE, Feb. 12 Coming down the highway Tuesday morning, Chester Butz, highway forman, on the highway half mile north of this place, came upon a large bob cat devouring young deer which he had just killed. Butz jumped from the car, pulled his revolver and killed the large cat before it could excape.

PEACE OFFICERS HEAR LAW ENFORCEMENT TALK

The Northern California Peace Officers Association held their meeting in Bret Harte Inn in Grass Valley yesterday. A noon luncheon and program were enjoyed, after which the business meeting was held. Judge George L. Jones of Nevada City spoke during the program on law enforcement. Darge LaFortune of Yuba county is president of the association.

Sheriff C. J. Tobiassen, president of the Nevada-Sierra Peace Officers Association and members of the two counties acted as hosts Thursday.

1937 SENIOR FARCE AND CAST ARE SELECTED

Every senior class of the local high school is privileged to select and present the senior farce.

Miss Nancy Jones, dramatics teacher, held try-outs last week and selected the cast of the farce to be given March 19, at the Nevada theatre.

The farce selection this year is a light play of youth and love in the summer time entitled "Seventeen" by Booth Tarkington. The cast consists of fourteen players. It gives many of the dramatically inclined seniors a chance. The cast follows: Mr. Baxter, John Harding; Mrs. Baxter, Joan Grant; Willie Baxter, Dick Tuttle; Jane Baxter, Margaret Gibbs; Lola Pratt, Roberta Ostrom; May Parcher, Ruth Curnow; Mr. Parcher, John Kron; John Watson, Carl Tobiassen; Joe Billitt, Harlath Brock; George Cooper, Bill Bennett; Ethel Boke, Amy Lou McCraney; Willie Banks, Marlin Young, Mary Brooks, Dorothy Thomas and Genesis, Tom Rickard. Rehearsals have started already and the cast is working diligently towards a splendid performance.

CITY ATTORNEY RESIGNS, JONES & FINNEGAN NAMED

At a special meeting of the city council last evening the resignation of City Attorney W. E. Wright was accepted and the legal firm of Jones & Finnegan appointed to the post.

The city council also passed a resolution under which the city will install a red lamp, probably at the corner of Broad and Pine streets, for the purpose of signalling the police. Arrangements have been made with the Pacific Telephone company so that when any one phones for a policeman or sends in an alarm, the operator at the switch board pushes a button that lights the red lamp, and the night policeman responds, phoning into the phone office or calling there in person to ascertain whence the alarm was turned in.

NEVADA PROPERTY

An 18-inch vein has been encountered in the Nolan or Nevada claim in the Canada Hill district that assays over $25 per ton and shows some free gold. The new cross cut tunnel has been driven 1200 feet. According to mining maps of Engineer Fred Miller it will take 210 feet more drifting to contact the Orleans lode. The property is situated between the Gracey and Mayflower properties. Superintendent George R. Carter has three men employed.

FINE PROGRAM DINNER MEETING AT CIVIC CLUB

Tuesday evening at six thirty the Nevada City Woman's Civic Club will hold its annual dinner meeting to which husbands of the members have been invited. Nearly all of the club members have signified their intention of attending and the dinner meeting bids fair to be a delightful occassion.

There will be a program which has been arranged by the club program chairman, Mrs. Charles Elliott. First there will be two short skits. "The Quest of Four Bachelors" and "The Ballad of Mary Jane." The characters are taken by club members and 'tis said there will be some difficulty in figuring out who is who. After the humerous part of the program Supervisor DeWitt Nelson of the Tahoe National Forest service will give a short talk on some phase of forestry.

Any member who does not know what she is to do toward the dinner please telephone to Mrs. Charles Elliott who has charge of the dinner arrangements.

HUSBAND TOLD TO GET A JOB SUPPORT KIDS

Ray Whalin, who was arrested Wednesday on a warrant sworn to by his wife for failure to provide, appeared before Judge W. L. Mobley yesterday. After hearing his case the judge told him to "go get a job and go to work and support your kids." Whalin stated he had a promise of a job in Woodland and was released with the armonition to report when he left and also report when he returns here. Whalin has a wife and four minor children.

OPEN FORUM IN PROSPCET FOR NEVADA CITY

Through the efforts of H. E. Kjorlie, principal of the Nevada City high school, an open forum is now practically assured Nevada City beginning in April and lasting through May. Prof, Michael Brickley of Sacramento Junior College, has agreed to give a series of ten lectures during the two months mentioned, provided enough men and women in this city are interested.

At the meeting of the Rotary club yesterday eight members signed up for the series with their wives.

Among the topics Prof. Brickley will discuss, will be the abdication of King Edward, England's relation to Europe, the Spanish Civil War, historical background of Spain, and other topics of world-wide interest.

Prof. Brickley is the registrar of Sacramento Junior College, and is one of the most interesting speakers on current history and events on the coast. His lectures have won him the commendation of thousands of Californians who have heard him during the past ten years. He has the faculty of finding the inner significance of national policies and events that leads to war or peace.

Mr. Kjorlie asks all those interested in attending the open forum series to phone him immediately at the high school. The number is 120. The cost per person is $1.25 for the ten lectures.

MISTLETOE PROPERTY

Assemblyman Fred Glick of Southern California is expected at the Mistletoe Mine in the Rough and Ready district with several truck loads of machinery and equipment for his property this week end. Plans are complete to increase the power voltage to 450 horsepower. A drift on the vein was made 40 feet below the surface in the 150 foot shaft. Cold weather has held up pouring concrete for buildings. Plans call for an ertensive program for surface buildings.

CEILING DRIPS HONEY; ANYBODY WANT BEES?

Mr. and Mrs. Martin VanBerg of Grove street have had a swarm of bees and considerable honey removed from the second story of their home this week by a man from near Lake Olympia. They swarmed and moved in last spring and it was sort of a joke with them at first, but the bees became a nuisance and when the VanBerg family attempted to give them away no one in Nevada City wanted them.

The swarm was near the chimney and with continued fires in the home the honey started to melt and run through the ceiling down stairs, and bees could be neard working in the hive.

N. C. MERCHANTS PLAY LASSELL'S SAT. NIGHT

There will be a fast game of basket ball at Armory hall tomorrow night according to Howard Penrose and Herb Skeahan who have made the arrangements between the Lasell's hoopsters of Martinez and the Nevada City Merchants. The Lasells played in Nevada City last season and gave a good exhibition of basket ball. Among the victories of the unlimited team of the Lasells was the Sioux City, Iowa, Negro Ghost which played the Nevada City Merchants last Saturday night. The score was 31 to 28.

JUDGE TUTTLE TO TRY CASE IN LOS ANGELES

The California Judicial Council has assigned Judge Raglan Tuttle to preside at the trial of the People vs. Gregory, a brother-in-law of Buron Fitts, district attorney of Los Angeles. Gregory is charged with violation of the Blue Sky laws. The trial opens in Los Angeles on March 1, and will probably require several weeks to complete. All judges in Los Angeles county disqualified themselves. During Judge Tuttle's absence, Judge Ray MacIntosh of Sierra county will sit on the bench in Nevada county when necessary.

ROTARY CLUB HEARS SEAWELL ON LEGISLATION

Senator Jerrold Seawell, was guest speaker at the meeting of the Rotary club yesterday at luncheon. A. M. Holmes, program charman, introduced the senator, who declared that both parties in the state legislature this year were pledged by their platforms to strict economy.

"However," declared Senator Seawell, "this state government belongs to you. It does not belong to the man who sits in the corner of the capitol, or to the 120 members of the legislature. It belongs to you and the people of California. We are there to do your bidding.

"We are resolved upon a policy of ecoonmy but organized groups, usually representing progressive elements, are constantly coming to us with plans to spend money. I dare say if fifty per cent of the bills now before the legislature were enacted, our budget of $446,000,000 would be increased to one billion dollars.

"Now $446,000,000 is a lot of money, but do you know that $233,000,000 of that amount will be returned to the counties?" That is the sum which comes back to the counties, in the main, for schools and roads. The state of California is the greatest collection agency in the world.

"Until 1910 there was a state advalorum tax on all personal and real property in the state. Then this was changed so that public utilities paid the tax, 7 1-2 per cent on their gross earnings. Then the burden upon real estate began to pile up until, not in

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Bad Weather Reduces Mining Employment

A survey of mining operations in the county reveals a falling off in employment of nearly 100 miners, as compared with a month ago. A part of this decrease is due to the tremendous storms which have hampered the mines in regard to water and communications. A total of 2,587 men are employed as compared with 2,682 last month.

Nevada county continued to be the leading gold producing county in California during 1936, by far the greater part of the gold output coming from mines of the Nevada City-Grass Valley district.

Empire Star Mines Co. Ltd., continued the leading producer of the dsitrict. Additional properties were acsuired, large additions were made to mine equipment, and an extensive prospecting and developing campaign was carried on in addition to production.

Idaho-Maryland Mines Corp. was the second most important producer in the district. This company increased its milling capacity and carried on further development work at its Brunswick mine, placing it on a production of 600 tons a day. Much interest was taken in the circular shaft bored on Idaho Maryland property.

Lava Cap Gold Mining Corp. another large producer, added to its equipment and did a considerable amount of development work underground. Permission was granted the company by Securities and Exchange Commission to further finance its work by sale of common stock.

Another large producer was the Golden Center mine where an active development program was carried on as well as the production of a large quantity of gold ore.

Nevada county's gold mine payroll averaged over one-third of a million dollars per month throughout the year.

The most productive Nevada county mines, outside of the Nevada City-Grass Valley district, were Zeibright mine, operated by the Empire Star Mines Co., Ltd., and Spanish mine, worked by the San Francisco Commercail Co. A large number of smaller properties are producing or being developed in the county.

YOU BET GRAVEL MINES

F. F .Cassidy of Nevada City, who is interested in the You Bet Gravel Mines at the old "ghost town" of You Bet, states a few prospectors are working the gravel at different places with satisfactory results. This ground which is an immense gravel deposit has a splendid past production record and is again expected to yield a rich return.

GRACEY MINE

Good ore has been encountered on the 600 foot level in the Gracey mine southeast of Nevada City. The ore bins in the big newly equipped mill are full of ore which assays $10 per ton. It is stated the management is well pleased with prospects at the Gracey. Russell Wilson, president of the company, and owner of the Black Oak mine near Auburn, is in charge of the Gracey property.

SPRING HILL MINE

Twelve men are employed under Superintendent Don C. Billick in the Spring Hill mine north of Grass Valley. Development is being done on the 900 foot and 1100 foot levels in the shaft.

RUBY MINE

Ten men are employed stoping ore at the Ruby mine located between Alleghany and Downieville. There is a modern 10 stamp mill on the property. Although snow was re-

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OPERATING MINES, MEN EMPLOYED AND MONTHLY PAYROLL IN NEVADA COUNTY

MINE	QUARTZ OR GRAVEL	LOCATION	NUMBER EMPLOYED	PAYROLL
N. Star Empire Pennsylvania	Quartz	Grass Valley	800	$112.000
Brunswick and Idaho-Maryland	Quartz	NE Grass Valley	700	98,000
Murchie	Quartz	E of Nevada City	300	42,000
Great Northern	Quartz	Harmony Ridge	15	2,100
Golden Center	Quartz	Grass Valley	110	15,400
Spring Hill	Quartz	NE Grass Valley	13	1820
Lava Cap	Quartz	Banner Mt.	255	35,700
Bullion-Alaska	Quartz	E of Grass Valley	60	8,400
Spanish	Quartz	Washington	50	7,000
Zeibright	Quartz	E of Nevada City	85	11,900
Prescott Hill	Quartz	E. of Grass Valley	25	3,500
Giant King	Quartz	Washington	5	700
Omega	Gravel	N. Washington	5	700
Norambagua	Quartz	S. Grass Valley	25	3,500
Quaker Hill	Gravel	E Nevada City	3	420
Deer Creek Union	Quartz	SE Nevada City	3	420
San Juan Mine	Quartz	Nor. San Juan	17	1,380
Ragon	Quartz	W. Nevada City	24	3,360
Valley Gold Mines	Quartz	E Nevada City	9	1,260
Alaska	Quartz	Pike City	5	700
Lucky Jane	Quartz	N. Bloomfield	3	420
Schepp	Quartz	Graniteville	1	140
Gracey	Quartz	S Nevada City	10	1,400
Stockton Hill	Quartz	So. Grass Valley	5	700
City Belle	Quartz	Nevada City	3	420
Morning Star	Quartz	Tyler	2	280
Mistletoe	Quartz	Rough and Ready	10	1,400
Lowell Hill	Gravel	E. Nevada City	5	700
Reeder	Gravel	Nor. San Juan	5	700
Boreham	Quartz	Town Talk	4	560
Nevada	Quartz	E. Nevada City	4	560
Ridge Mines	Gravel	San Juan	5	700
Maben Hill	Quartz	S. Grass Valley	5	700
Mt. View	Quartz	Washington	7	980
Atlasta	Quartz	So. Grass Valley	10	1,400
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Beauty Put To Work

Eleanor Glynn had a name for "it", and it's still a potent factor in our every-day lives. E. Durling, Los Angeles columnist, tells how it is turned to economic use now by the restaurants of Los Angeles. They hire gals there now who are stunning with "it", and reap a golden harvest as a result. And he adds that the girls, who earn about $30 a week (both wages and tips) have great rivalry for their jobs, with many on the waiting list. For once the south is a bit behind the times. Ed Bedell of the Clunie Hotel in Sacramento, long ago realized the pulling power of beautiful girls and helped make his coffee shop the big success that it is by that means. Only he refers to them as girl athletes—healthy outdoor girls, all proficient at some type of outdoor sport. How long will it be before other industries follow the lead of the restaurants? A Long Island filling station is said to have increased its sales 20 per cent by hiring beautious young women attendants.—Oroville Mercury.

They Turned To Washington

Like men in a tiny ship, they were, those founding fathers who dared to cast off the lines that bound them to England and set out in treacherous seas on a course never sailed before—the course of democracy.

The ship was well-manned, with Jefferson, Franklin, Adams, Madison and all the rest. But for captain they needed that man among them who had most of strength and courage and devotion to their cause. Who would it be? Almost instinctively, they knew.

And they turned to George Washington.

Probably Washington never dreamed that a nation second to none in the history of the world would grow out of that early voyage, and would pause on a day 205 years after his birth, to honor him as we are doing now.

But it was Washington, with his steadfast vision of a people free and united, who brought our country through that perilous period of infancy when it was fragile and might easliy have broken to bits.

His courage in the face of physical danger first, it was, which saw us through the Revolutionary War. Had he once quavered, America might have been doomed to become another Ireland, with a long, bloody struggle for independence lasting perhaps into the twentieth century.

His mental courage later held the states together in the confused days following the war. Had he given an inch then, there would be no great nation here today, but a conglomeration of petty principalities.

From the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776 until his death in 1799, Washington was the leader, the captain of democracy, the one staunch pillar supporting the genesis of America.—Contributed.

Silence In The Courtroom

While the tempest over the Supreme Court rages and the nation girds itself for a fight to a finish in this historic verbal civil war, a matter involving somewhat similar issues faces us right here in California.

Public confidence in our courts, public faith in their capacity to deal out justice, public respect for democratic processes of law and order—these are today being needlessly disturbed in our state. They are being jarred by talk of "frameup" in the so-called Modesto dynamiting case.

Last week a special committee of our legislature began its inquiry into the case of the eight who were sentenced a year ago for their part in a plot to blow up a hotel where some sailors were staying during an oil tanker strike.

This committee will learn that the Superior Court of Stanislaus county, the State Appellate Court, the State Supreme Court, and the U. S. Supreme Court have all affirmed the guilt of these men. It will learn that the Stanislaus county grand jury just this month reviewed the frameup story and found it without basis in fact. All these courts have spoken. Let there now be silence in the courtroom.

In the nationwide Supreme Court controversy, many people feel that the future of democracy is at stake. What must those Californians feel who have heard not the facts, but just this talk about a California court frameup, and who give it credence? Doubts about the courts, doubts about personal liberty, doubts about the very underpinnings of democracy.

Let the dissenters think of the harm they are doing. Let them review the facts and cease their clamor. We face enough real threats to democracy these days without having false ones raised to haunt us.—Contributed.

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STATE DONATES $1,221,418 FOR FLOOD RELIEF

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—With more than a half million refugees still moving homeward following the disastrous floods in the Ohio and Mississippi Valleys, the National Red Cross estimates some 250,000 affected families will require help in rehabilitation, Admiral Carey T. Grayson, national Red Cross chairman, advises Pacific Area chapters.

To expedite the family rehabilitation, ten regional offices have been established by the Red Cross. They are situated in West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and Arkansas.

Housing facilities now constitute a major problem for the disaster relief workers. It has been necessary to establish some tent and boxcar colonies and to provide temporary housing. A number of schools which were first used as emergency shelters have since been evacuated to permit the resumption of classes.

Revised figures show 1,205,256 persons were affected in the flood zones. Of this number 748,229 were under Red Cross care. The Red Cross had in operation 946 concentration camps and shelters. It had 300 field hospitals and immunization centers in which more than 1,500 Red Cross nurses were on duty. Persons sick in these emergency hospitals numbered 4,288.

A broad program of education and recreation for men, women and the children in all refugee centers is being conducted. Junior Red Cross workers are directing special projects. Games, books and toys have been made available to hospitalized youngsters as well as those able to be in camps. Athletic events, picture shows and theatrical performances provide entertainment for the adults.

In response to Chairman Grayson's appeal, the national relief fund is in excess of $20,000,000. Of this total the Pacific Area contributed $1,722,832.86, every state exceeding quotas which called for $1,321,800.

Contributions by states follow. Alaska, $7,841.55; Arizona, $47,065.89; California, $1,221,418.45; Idaho, $37,266.27; Nevada, $24,159.13; Oregon, $103,332.03; Utah, $38,544.99; Washington, $243,204.

Douglas H. Moore, acting manager in the Pacific Area, reports 283 out of 326 Red Cross Chapters in the Area, exceeded their quotas. Four chapters exceeded by four times their assigned quotas. These are: Grant county, Washington; Klamath county, Oregon; Carmel-by-the-Sea and Mare Island, California. Others doubled and trebled the sums, all of which were increased five times over the first call for funds.

FOUR YEAR REGIONAL COLLEGES ARE OPPOSED

Members of the California state Legislature this week are reviewing the report of the State Council on Educational Planning and Co-ordination, a new printing of which has been completed. The law-makers thus are considering officially the findings of an important advisory body appointed under authority voted by the legislature itself.

The purpose of the plan outlined in the report, developed with the unanimous approval of the Planning Council in 1935, is to preserve the most effective and most economical relationship between the State University, the junior colleges, and the teachers colleges. The report strongly opposes expansion of teachers colleges into four-year regional colleges. It does not give approval of junior colleges assuming that status.

The members of the Planning Council are Will C. Wood, chairman; Charles Albert Adams, Allen T. Archer, Annie Florence Brown, Mrs. William J. Hayes, Vierling Kersey, Gurney E. Newlin, Chester H. Rowell and Robert Gordon Sproul.

Opponents of the creation of a chain of four year colleges in California are urging thorough consideration of the planning council report because bills now before the state legislature propose establishment of new tax-supported four-year colleges or universities in several parts of the state, added to the present facilities in higher education. This would involve needless duplication, it is charged, and would saddle the state with excessive expense. The Statewide Committee on Higher Education, of which John L. McNab is chairman and Aubrey Drury is secretary, is among the organizations active against the creation of a chain of four-year regional colleges, urging that voters communicate with their state legislators requesting them to oppose such proposals and to uphold the report of the planning council.

CALIFORNIA GOLD OUTPUT 24 PCT. OF U. S. TOTAL

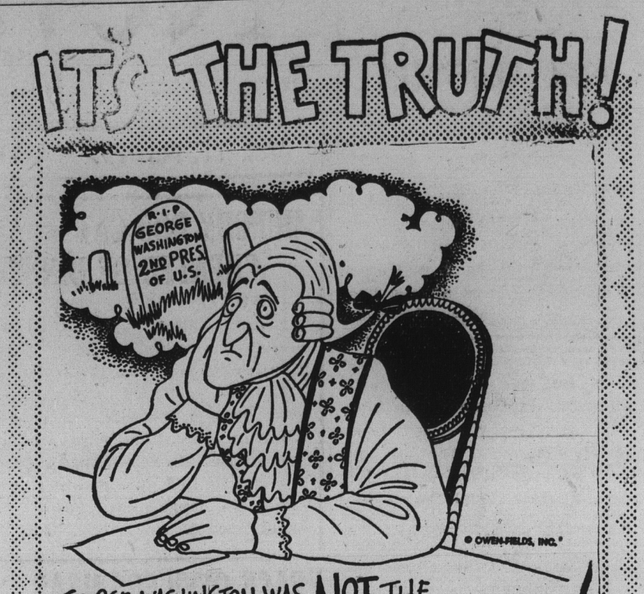
According to preliminary figures the total mine production of gold in the United States (territories included) amounted to 4,329,273 fine ounces in 1936, which represented an increase of 640,364 fine ounces, or 17 per cent, over the 1935 production of 3,688,909 fine ounces. The 19936 production was worth $151,524,555, which was $22,412,740 or 17 per cent greater than the 1935 value of $129,111,815. The price of gold in both years was $35 per fine ounce. The increase in production for 1936 over 1933 was 65 per cent in quantity and 126 per cent in value, and for 1936 over 1932 the increase was 68 per cent in quantity and 185 per cent in value. The disparity between the quantity and value increases reflects, of course, the 69 per cent increase in the value of gold ,$20.67x to $35.00 per fine ounce) that resulted from government decrees and legislation between August 9, 1933 and January 31, 1934.

Of the total production in 1936 California contributed 24 per cent; Philippine Islands 14 per cent; South Dakota 14 per cent; Alaska 12 per cent; Colorado 8 per cent; Arizona 7 per cent; Nevada 7 per cent; Utah 5 per cent; and Montana 4 per cent. In 1935 California contributed 24 per cent; South Dakota 15 per cent; Alaska 13 per cent; Philippine Islands 12 per cent; Colorado 9 per cent; Arizona 7 per cent; Nevada 5 per cent, Utah 5 per cent; and Montana 4 per cent.

In 1936 California showed a gain of 159,170 ounces over 1935; the Philippine Islands 147,186 ounces; Nevada 96,669 ounces; Arizona 68,245 ounces; Alaska 60,505 ounces; Utah 39,662 ounces; Montana 27,912 ounces; South Dakota 23,449 ounces; and Colorado 15,432 ounces. Of the smaller gold producing states Alabama showed the only striking proportionate increase (96 per cent) in 1936 production over that for 1935, and South Carolina and Georgia showed the only large decreases (89 and 63 per cent respectively.)

Correct Glasses — W. P. Sawyer, M. D. Ott Bldg., Nevada City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Johnson of Antioch arrived in Nevada City Sunday remaining until Tuesday to visit Mrs. Johnson's sister, Miss Helen Provine and aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sauvee.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SACRAMENTO, Feb. 18.—Walker R. Young, construction engineer for the Central Valleys Water Project, returned to his office this week after a trip to Washington, D. C., and reported the only thing holding up start of actual construction on the $170,000,000 irrigation, flood control and navigation program is the settlement of negotiations for water and property rights.

Construction bids for the first four miles of the Contra Costa canal, one unit of the project, will be opened at 10 a. m. on March 1 in Young's office. During the next four days bids will be opened for initial buildings at the construction camp site on the Friant dam division of the project. These include an office building, a garage, concrete laboratory, water storage tank, two domitories and several residences. This camp will be headquarters for the workers employed on Friant dam and the first contracts on the Madera and Kern canals.

Young was gone a month, during which time he visited the Washington and Denver offices of the United States Reclamation Bureau, and inspected the major flood control and irrigation construction jobs on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers. These included army engineers' projects to build 14 dams each on the Mississippi river and the Muskeegan river (a tributary to the Ohio), a giant dam on the Tigeret river in West Virginia and the Tennessee Valley Authority project.

A new social service set-up, which he claims would save the state approximately $6,000,000 a year has been proposed by Chairman Alfred W. Robertson of the Donihue subcommittee. The proposal would place administration of unemployment relief, and aid to the aged, blind, deaf, orphans and children in the hands of a five man commission appointed by the governor, and a director.

Governor Merriam this week renewed the terms of 17 state board members and made eight new appointments. Reappointments included Dr. C. E. Schoff, Sacramento, board of medical examiners until 1941; Edward C. Johnson and Hanlon Kerrigan, Marysville, 13th district agricultural association; Asa G. Proctor, Woodland, board of registration for civil engineers; A. M. Holmes, Nevada City, board of funeral directors and embalmers; and William F. Knopp, Sonora, supervisor of Tuolumne county.

Already the largest fruit and vegetable cannery in the world, the California Packing Corporation plans to double the size of its packing plant and warehouse in Sacramento. Plans propose construction of a one-story warehouse, covering two spare blocks immediately north of the present plant and across the levee at North B street.

Charles W. Paine, retiring secretary-manager of the California State Fair was named to the state fair board this week by Governor Merriam, as the directors gathered to consider the selection of Paine's successor. Governor Merriam reappointed A. B. Miller of Fontana as president of the board for another term, and also reappointed as members Horace Thomas of Marysville, D. E. Huff of Orange, John M. Perry of San Francisco, W. A. Kennedy of Pomona and A. B. Long of Stockton. Increased premiums and enlarged groups accomodations for 4-H club boys and girls and high school youths of the Future Farmers of America at the state fair's 83rd exposition in September have been promised by Thomas, head of the junior division committee of the board of directors.

SAN JUAN MINE

Due to heavy snow and bad roads trucking ore to the Narrow Gauge railroad at Nevada City was discontinued until conditions improve. Development, and mining ore, continues and reports are importat developments are in store for this mine this spring. Ray Butterfield is superintendent.

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High School Notes

ORAL ENGLISH

Due to the changing of many classes during the second semester, the oral English class has added five new members to their list as speakers. The class takes up various types of speaking and so far has proved quite successful in speeches in front of the assembly. The new members are Tom Rickard, Betsy Bennett, Dick Tuttle, Amy Lou McCraney and Eddie Doolittle.

NEVADA CITY-PLACER

The Yellowjackets fell gamely to the league champions, the Placer Hillmen, last Tuesday night in two fast and exciting games at Armory hall.

Due to the fact that the teams of the Sierra football league are speeding up their games so that the series will end a week from tonight, the Hillmen and Jackets played during the week. The strong Placer team proved to be just a little more than the locals could handle although the Barron boys were fought every minute of the game with courage and pep.

The A team was swallowed by the goal making Placer lads from the very beginning and at the sound of the gun the score read 47 for Auburn and 18 for the Jackets. Clark lead the scoring tab with six points and was followed by Phil Joyal, 4; Tony Perez, and Bill Bennett, 3; and Cliff Hoff, 4. The line up for the teams was as follows: For Nevada City: Clark, Jones, Perez, and Hoff, forwards; Casmore and Bennett, centers; Joyal, Bonner and Tobiassen, guards. For Placer: Brundage, Warwick, Melellan, Vergehaldt, and Slade, forwards; Hawkins, Barrier and Olson, centers, Maph, Pilliard, Ruply and Triano as guards. Cliff Hoff and Tony Perez went out on fouls for Nevada City and Triano went out on fouls for Auburn.

The preliminary game, between the two B teams went also to the Placerites to the tuns of 37 to 15. Kopp made four points and Lotz followed with 3. The line up for Nevada City was as follows: Karl Kopp, David McCraney, Rob Graham, Reg Kennedy, forwards; Herschal Lotz and Bill Joyal, centers, Ellard Gates and Phil Angove, guards.

NEW LOCKERS

Last week new lockers were delivered to the Nevada City high school, much to the enjoyment of the students, who have had to put coats, hats, rubbers, books, lunches, etc., in small lockers for the past years.

The lockers are full length (6 ft.) and are roomy enough for all the usual things which a student stores in lockers. There are two shelves on tops of the lockers for books and two people share one locker together. The locks are Dudley cabinet combination locks. The new lockers are placed in the lower and upper halls and add the appearance of a modern building to the high school.

HONOR ROLL OND C. S. F.

Principal H. E. Kjorlie has announced the following as members of the California Scholarship Federation and Ten Point Honor Roll for the third six week period: C. S. F., Adele Joerschke and Robert Proctor, seniors; Edna Doolittle, Ruth Godfrey, Mary Martz and Lucy Proctor, juniors; Jean Martz, sophomore; Patricia Arbogast, Verda Anne Yuen, Margie Clark and Marporie Trevillyan, freshmen. Honor Roll: Dorothy Arbogast and Vella Flindt, juniors; Alice Norton, Bernice McQuay, and June Hawke, sophomores; and Barbara Phariss, freshmen.

GUESTS REGISTERED AT NATIONAL HOTEL

The following guests have registered at the National Hotel: Carole LeBean, Florence McDonough, Bakersfield; A. B. Diemer, Graniteville; Elton L. Carvin, Forest; J. S. Seawell, E. C. Hilderbrand, Fred Waaurtz, Chas. M. Whitford, Fred Oakden, John Woodhouse, H. E. Unger, W. D. Vanderhoff, Sacramento; Ross Toylar, Laura McDonald, Downieville; J. M. Lloyd, Auburn; Tom Stenson, Oakland; John J. Connell, Alleghany; W. J. Phelps, Washington; Ed Duprey, San Francisco; L. M. Wissinger, Wm. Pallady, A. Bondi, North Bloomfield.

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FRENCH CORRAL NOTES

(By JOE M. SWAZEY)

A nice sobiable time was held by the French Corral school on Valentines Day. They celebrated both Valentine day and Lincoln's day together. The program in general was as follows: Recitations, "Lincoln's Gettsyburg Address" by Misses Jean Clark, Jean Harding and Wanda Buzard, each taking a small part. Recitation: "The Barefoot Boy" by Walter Browning and Albert Hosksns. Recitation "Old Ironsides" by Jack Jones and Miss Loretta Jones. Story of the life of Lincoln was given by Jean Clark, Wanda Buzard and Myrtle Roberts. These young people presented their parts in a most creditable manner and the program was greatly enjoyed by parents and friends present.

A Valentine box, same as when we were young, was opened after the formal program and valetines were read 'mid blushing cheeks and thumping hearts.' The teacher, Miss Catherine O'Connor may be justly congratulated upon the fine program which was instructive as well as entertaining and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. J. McCarty of Los Angeles who has been on an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. W. E. Moulton of French Corral, has taken her departure for Los Angeles. She plans to stop at Benicia to visit her sister, Mrs. H. Clymo for a few days and then continue on to Los Angeles.

George Calanan was here again yesterday with a load of hay for his cattle.

Joe Frank, our supervisor, has been doing some good work on the Sweetland road this week. He plans to fix the road near Bridgeport also. A good road this spring will mean a lot to the Ridge people.

Old Sol is a welcome visitor over here. It won't be long now till "Mother Earth" will be covered with a carpet of green.

The many friends of the late Lena Mann who passed away recently were deeply grieved to hear of her demise. She was born and raised on the Ridge and was a woman of sterling character and beloved by all who knew her. Deepest sympathy is extended to the family.

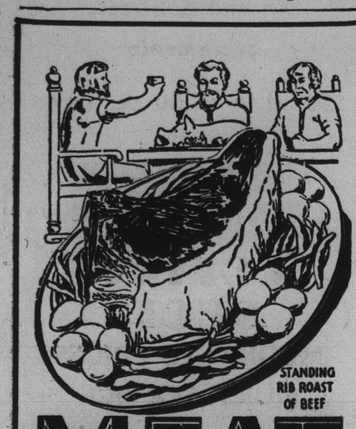
Gordon Woods and Walter McCullough of North San Juan were in French Corral one day this week.

Louis Wood, San Juan grocer, was a business visitor here early in the week.

The Esperance Mining Company plans to resume operations shortly.

The many friends of Miss Julia Tackitt who passed away in Grass Valley February 14 were grieved to hear of her death and deepest sympathy is extended to her family. She spent most of her life in the little town of Birchville where she attended school and grew to womanhood and was always beloved by those who knew her.

The late John C. Quinn, 76 years of age, one time assistant postmaster and later collector of internal revenue in San Francisco, who died January 30 in Long Island, New York, as was announced in the San Francisco papers, was a native of Sweetland and is remembered by "Aunt Kate" Sullivan.



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Ravages of Insects Endangering Growth

(By HAROLD M. FINLEY)

Monetary losses, not ascertainable but which promise if not halted, to exceed in time those that are, can be checked up against forest insects.

China affords the best illustration of a country paying the price for deliberate denudation of mountain forest coverings. Pine-killing bugs of the west do as thorough a scalping job in their own way.

We don't have to go to China to find instances of serious flood damage resulting from destruction or removal of trees on mountain watersheds—or for examples of the periodic drying up of water sources for irrigation from the same cause. Vast areas of the west, without forests to control mountain run-off, could come to be like China.

SERIOUSNESS OUTLINED

That would be more serious than the loss of timber for lumber. Man might find substitutes for wood, but he hasn't invented anything to take the place of water in an arid land.

The investment of agriculture in the irrigated west runs into the billions; that in communities dependent upon agriculture into more billions.

The importance to America of the western farm production has been brought home to all by the recent droughts in the Mid-west. If our irrigation were to fail because of forest destruction, it might be just too bad for everybody.

CURBS REQUIRED

A lot has been made of the necessity for fire prevention to maintain the watersheds. Little has been heard about insects that year in and year out kill more forest trees than fires do. Both must be curbed.

On my recent forest inspection trip in Northeastern California I learned that barkbeetles are a primary contributing cause in the destructiveness of most forest fires. Standing trees killed by these bugs are tinder for spreading flames to living ones, prone logs are so many fuses. In fact, fire and bugs work neatly together in forest devastation, trees weakened by scorching being first to succumb to insect attack.

RAIN VALUES TOLD

In the mountain forest rain pelting into trees is broken into spray. The ground is covered with a duff of pine needles, and a slow, deep penetration of moisture is the result. This finds its way valleyward in normal stream flow or seeps into underground basins from which it can be pumped.

The forest reduced to snags by fires and beetles offers no such protection check. Water that might normally have been diverted from constantl yflowing streams, or lifted from regularly replenished reserviors for irrigation is wasted; floods rush down upon lowlands farms and the cities.

FEDERAL SUPPORT ASKED

The California State Chamber of Commerce, in asking for a Federal appropriation to develop more effective means of forest insect control, stresses both the importance of lumbering and the indispensability of the mountain tree coverings for the conservation of water for agricultural, domestic and power development purposes. The greatest item of all in California's economy, it feels, is agriculture.

California agriculture has unquestionably suffered from water shed deterioration due to the twin agencies of destruction, fires and bugs, and a type of lumberman, fortunately in the minority, who mows down trees without any regard for future forest regrowth hasn't helped any. That goes for other parts of the west as well.

SOUTHLAND INTERESTED

Southern California, whose lumber interests are nil, but whose limited forest watershed areas are vital to an intensive farm production, is bound to be especially interested in the agricultural problem arising from the serious forest insect situation. The preservations of the mighty midcontinental watersheds of the Colorado river also has a particular significance for this section and other parts of the Southwest.

It is impossible, of course, to set a value on publicly owned forests opened to the people of America for recreational purposes. The average national park visitor would probably say without hesitation that Uncle Sam's glorious western coniferous wonderlands are worth saving, whatever the cost. And keep on saying it even though some one were casually to inform him that the only known method of beetle control is to fell and cremate the pests in their bark—at from $4 to $15 a tree.

ANGLES ENCOUNTERED

But one encounters a tangible monetary angle even when considering the intangible recreational value of forests in relation to insect damage. Private investments in resorts in timbered areas are enormous. Mountain cabins by the tens of thousands have been built by people who like to enjoy their outings in the woods. Some are on sites leased in government tracts, others on privately owned wooded property.

Forests in all the nation's western playgrounds and throughout the mountain domain are suffering constant tree depletion because of destructive insects. Very real values, based on a heavy outlay of money, are involved in this tree killing.

DANGERS FORESEEN

Populous Southern California's timber areas are probably more intensively used for recreational purposes than any others in the west. They are menaced to a degree no one but the entomologist realizes. There has been but one beetle outbreak comparable to those that have deciminated forests in other parts of the state—a localized holocaust among Coulter pines, following a fire in Palomar Mountain in San Diego county—but the bugs have not been idle. Increasing numbers of dead trees in pine stands everywhere attest their slow, relentless progress and sporadic control efforts have not stopped them. One of these days, when natural conditions are "right" for them, experts say, vast hosts will emerge from their breeding places and strike.

Of the national parks, I visited only Lassen on my trip, and it is one of the less frequented ones. The country's pet live volcano will one day be the only thing left to see if barkbeetle destruction of pines is permitted to go on. The real forest tragedies however, are being enacted at Yosemite in California and the Yellowstone in Wyoming, visited annually by hundreds of thousands. I say the ruin in Yellowstone last spring, that in Yosemite some years ago.

GHOST FORESTS RECALLED

Both vast parks are full of ghost forests. In the latter the once magnifcent lodgepole pine stand of Tenaya Basin had been completely destroyed by mountain pine beetles when I saw it. The slopes around the famous Mariposa Big Tree Grove were white with the snags of sugar pine killed by the same satanic insect. Other fine forests, I'm told, have gone the same way since.

The Yellowstone lodgepole areas have simply melted away before this bug's attacks; dead trees outnumbered the living almost everywhere, it seemed. The Forestry Service report of 1933 states that 12,000,000 trees have been killed by beetles in a single year in this realm of the geysers.

CONTROL APPRECIATED

But for some measures of control by the Forestry and National Park services, it is certain, California's national forests would be more ghost like in many places than they are.

So much for the forest damage being done by barkbeetles in the west. The same bugs, or their near relatives, are steadily destroying lesser stands of mature coniferous trees in the North Central, Atlantic and Southern States.

In the South, especially, knowledge developed from California research would be welcomed, for the vast southern pine belt, after generations of logging, is coming back. Dixie has worked out processes for making excellent newsprint paper pulp from its pines and won't care to share its new growth with bugs.

California should not lack for support in its new forest program.

HIGH HONOR AT U. C. FOR BERYLE GODFREY

Miss Beryl Godfrey of Nevada City a junior at the University of California, was formally pledged to Pi Lambda Theta, National Honorary Education Society for Women at the University, at a luncheon held last Friday.

This sodiety is a national organization and the honor of membership is only conferred upon juniors, seniors, and graduate students doing outstanding work for teachers' certificates. Names of twenty four new pledges were announced for the spring semester by Miss Elizabeth Vincent, society president.

Miss Godfrey is registered as an English major in the College of Letters and Science and is working for a Bachelor of Arts degree.

C. H. FOWLER SPEAKS

At a very interesting assembly held on Wednesday of last week, C. H. Fowler of Huntington Park, California, gave a speech on "Alcohol—Its Effect on Man." The speech was interesting with specimens to represent the different phases of Mr. Fowler's talk. He has spoken in almost every high school in the state.

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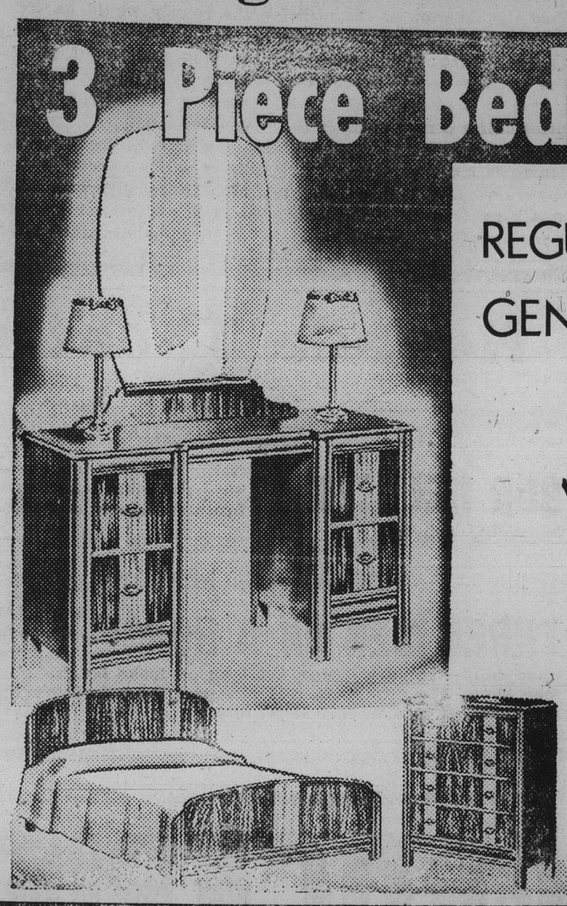

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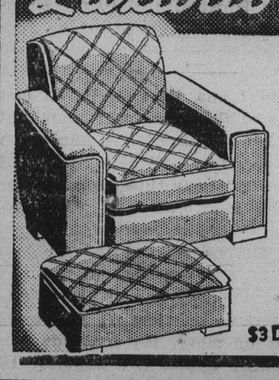

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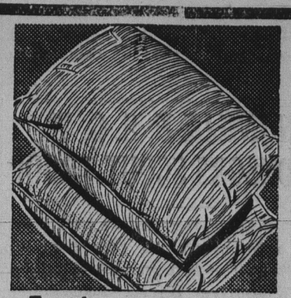

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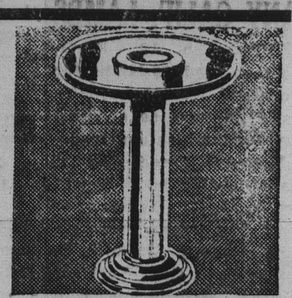

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MINING NEWS

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ported to be 20 feet deep at the Ruby mine miners were able to get to Alleghany and Goodyears Bar going and coming to the property. Considerable difficulty has been experienced with frozen pipes at the mine the last cold weather.

POCAHONTAS DELEGATION

A group of members of Ponemah Council, Degree of Pohahontas, of this city, attended a meeting of the Lincoln Council paying regards to their visiting grand officer. Those making the trip were: Mrs. Nettie Gildersleeve, Grand Guard of the Tepee; Mrs. Evelyn Berger, Keeper of Wampum; Mrs. Blanche Williams, district deputy; Mrs. E. Lashbaugh, Pocahontas.

RISING SUN PROPERTY

The reopened shaft at the Rising Sun is being kept unwatered and the company hopes to start operations before many days. There is quite a lot of ore in sight and active mining can start at once.

RAGON MINE

Cold weather and heavy snow caused some loss of time at the Ragon mine northwest of Nevada City but it has resumed full time operations. Superintendent O. McCraney stated the company will again start trucking ore to the Idaho-Maryland custom mill about March first.

ORIENTAL MINE

Eight men are employed in drifting operations in the Oriental mine at Alleghany. F. F. Cassidy of Nevada City has a lease on the Oriental. Ray Hawkins, store keeper at Alleghany, is also interested with Mr. Cassidy in the property.

MT. VIEW PROPERTIES

Mr. C. White, superintendent and owner of the Mt. View and Arctic mines at Washington, has gone to his home in Southern California for the severe winter weather. He is expected back as soon a sweather permits him to resume re-conditioning the two newly acquired properties. The three-mile road to the Arctic is closed by deep snow and remains to be reopened. Just before the heavy storms crews started on a program of reconditioning. The outline calls for mill building, cook house, blacksmith shop, office and other buildings.

GOLD TUNNEL

Diamond drilling tests have been completed on the Gold Tunnel property in western Nevada City by the Newmont interests. The equipment and shelter have been removed.

QUAKER HILL GRAVEL MINE

Elmer Poore, superintendent of the Quaker Hill Gravel Mines east of Nevada City, came to this city early this week the first time in several weeks due to deep snow. He has two or three men employed in drifting operations in the mine which had a rich past production record. It was operated for many years by the late Thomas Botting.

SPANISH MINE

The mill at the Spanish mine above Washington closed down for a short time during the heavy snow storms. A portion of the crew was laid off, but as weather improves the mine is returning to full time employment and normal operations.

ORO FINO PROPERTY

Bert Crase, of the Idaho-Maryland Mines of Grass Valley, is collaborating with Kemp Van Ee in developing the Oro Fino mine in the Ophir district near Auburn. Several months have been spent in getting the property in shape for production. A number of buildings have been built and latest reports are the mine looks quite promising.

FORTY INCHES OF WATER

Mr. Leland Smith, grazing examiner of the Nevada City office of the Tahoe national forest reports that in a recent survey it was determined that the snow covering the ground in the Big Bend section showed 40 inches of water.

HOBART ROADS CLOSED

The Truckee-Hobart Road has been closed to travel for the past three weeks however the Hobart train has continued to operate. Also all other roads leading out of Hobart are closed.

LAVA CAP MINES

Superintendent Otto E. Schiffner states that everything is running smoothly at the Lava Cap mine, southeast of Nevada City, after a six day shut down on account of interrupted water supply from the Nevada Irrigation District. The drill hole for the 1100 volt electric cable is down 200 feet. Electricity will be carried from the surface to a transformer in an underground station for service in the underground shaft. The underground hoist and compressor recently purchased have been installed in the tunnel at the Banner shaft.

MILLS GIRLS AT GOLD HOLLOW

A group of nine Mills College students are expected to spend the coming week end and Washington's birthday holiday at their camp, Gold Hollow, on Lake Vera. On March 6 and 7 another party accompanied by Mr. Craig, one of the sponsors of the lodge, will visit Gold Hollow.

BOREHAM PROPERTY

Due to heavy snow mining was suspended at the Boreham property at Town Talk for a time and it is expected work will be resumed shortly. The new shaft is down 140 feet. A four stamp mill at the mine treats ore as it is mined. Austin and Coley Boreham, brothers are developing their property.

THINKING OUT LOUD

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to keep 125,000,000 interested, not to say amused.

For as a matter of national prestige and blue blood, of almost purple patrician hue, we would select the Carters of Virginia, the Baileys of North Carolina and the Lodges of Massachusetts to trot in the Roosevelt class. And these scions of American nobility who happen to occupy seats in the United States Senate are vigorously opposed to President Roosevelt's plan of revamping this democracy of ours nearer to his heart's desire. This to include ushering six of the nine old wise men out of the Supreme Court in order to put men, who will think as he does, on the nation's most august and revered tribunal.

It was Marie Antoinette, Austrian queen of France, who in the innocence of her heart, when told that the masses were crying for bread, exclaimed: "Why don't they eat cake?" At least that is the legend. We doubt it, because it seems impossible that anyone could be born so dumb. But there is in the latter part of Mrs. Roosevelt's comment on the judicial controversy, a sentence that is strongly reminiscent of the words attributed to the frivolous and unfortunate queen who paid for lack of brains with the loss of her head.

"From what they say," said the First Lady, "they have something material they fear to lose." This of course is almost too naive to believe. A great many people are very fearful of losing material things and if it ever dawns on Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt Roosevelt that her own millions are in jeopardy she will probably make a gallant fight to retain them. The nation's patricians as a class have had that ability and exercised it. But while many fear the loss of "material" things, many others fear the loss of the opportunity which a democracy affords of gaining material things. For when that opportunity is taken away by a dictator who has rolled all three functions of government, legislative, executive and judicial, into one, there is entailed also the loss of personal liberty, the right to build fortunes or even to live quietly and happily.

It is this naivete, which in any other role than that she plays, would be rather charming, that really seems monstrous in its implications when we come to weigh the utterances of the First Lady. The communists of course have dinned into our ears the various class distinctions they loudly assert exist in this republic. It is surprising that the President's wife should even hint that there are sure socials divisions. But to say that opposition to the President's plan of radically changing the Supreme Court, is due to the fear of losing material things, is so much an understatement as to indicate that the good lady really doesn't know what it's all about.

Personals LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mrs. Frank Pierce, former resident of Nevada City who has been living in Sacramento for some time has returned to the family home on Zion street to reside.

The roof of the Englebright building on Commercial street in this city caved in the last snow storm.

Mrs. Helen Lane and young son, Richard left for a visit with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Austin Shellard of Stockton. From there Mrs. Shellard, Mrs. Land and Richard will go to Oakland to visit Mrs. H. A. Shellard their mother-in-law and mother respectively.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Williams who have been living in Washington have returned to Nevada City to reside.

Mrs. Jessie B. Shaw of Oakland is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Hal D. Draper in Nevada City for a few days.

Mrs. Emma Foley and Mrs. Daniel Coughlan who were injured in an automobile accident last week are getting along nicely. Mrs. Foley returned to her home from the Nevada City sanitarium yesterday.

Edd Addington was a business visitor in Nevada City yesterday. His wife who has been quite ill with flu left this city several days ago for their home at Sutter City where she is making a good recovery.

Thru the Knot Hole

A Glimpse of Building Activity

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The sunshine (kinda spotted) of the last few days have resulted in our friends again directing their thoughts to building and cleaning up around the home.

Inside painting may well be planned and a start made to doing the work now. Our Murphy paints have the approval of everyone who has used them. We will be glad to suggest colors for any particular purpose.

Contractor Ralph Cochrane has been working on the new Barton home on Alpha Hill between showers and the home is now enclosed and plastered. Work will continue rapidly to conclusion.

Good substantial walls for any structure can be made with our Oregon pine wallboard, which may be finished in any desired paint or enamel or colored wax. We also have Celotex wallboard in several colors. The Celotex can be applied in such a manner that painting is not needed. Our office display shows the advantage of this fine material.

Contractor Bob Steger is in charge of a very fine remodeling job in the Dickerman Drug Store. The new store interior would be a credit to a community much larger than Nevada City.

WILLING

"Mandy," said the judge, "you're been brought into court for intoxication."

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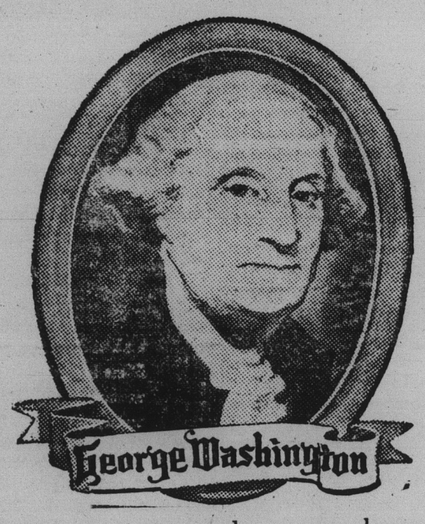

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2—No. 2½ cans Pears, heavy syrup	29c
2—No. 2½ cans Peaches, heavy syrup Halves or Slices	29c
2—No. 2 cans Pineapple Juice	25c
3—No. 2 cans Tomato Juice	25c
Monarch Coffee. 3 lb. vacuum jar	86c
Monarch Coffee. 1 lb. vacuum can	27c
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SOCIAL EVENTS

PARTIES, WEDDINGS and CLUB NOTES

Dr. and Mrs. Reeder Entertain at Dinner

A most delightful time was enjoyed Sunday at the home of Dr. and Mrs. David H. Reeder of Broad street when their son, Jack Reeder, entertained several guests at a dinner party. A St. Valentine theme was carried out in the cosy rooms and on the table. Jolly games suitable to the holiday were played.

Those present for the evening were Edna Uhrig, Edna Richerson, LeVerne Willard, Alberta Bolton, Ben Tamblyn, John Muscardini and the host.

Luncheon in Honor Mrs. Reynolds Birthday

Mrs. Mattie J. Reynolds, one of Nevada City's best known pioneers, was the guest of honor on Wednesday at a luncheon tendered her by her daughter, Mrs. George D. Wright at the latters home on Main street. The occassion was the birthday of the honored guest.

At a luncheon table centered with a beautiful bouquet of spring flowers in pastel shades ——— friends of Mrs. Reynolds gathered to share the happy day with her. A number of the guests were from Grass Valley and other out of town places.

The honoree, besides receiving the felicitations of her friends, was the recipient of many gifts.

Mrs. Lane and Mrs. Tyhurst Hostesses at Ski Party

Many happy hours have been enjoyed by skiers, young and old, on the Tyhurst hill, since the first snow fell December 26. Many friends have gathered several times a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Tyhurst on the Red Dog road, with out of town guests who in some inntances have never been on skis before, or even had a close hand view of snow.

Last Sunday evening the final chapter was written for the season when Mrs. Dick Lane and Mrs. Tyhurst gove a combined ski, Valentine and birthday party for Mrs. Lucille Hamilton. A huge cake decorated with candy hearts, candles and Valentines was presented to Mrs. Hamilton. Twenty six guests were served with refreshments by the hostesses, each wishing Mrs. Hamilton many more happy birthdays.

Miss Evelyn Lotz is Valentine Party Hostess

Miss Evelyn Lotz of Walrath avenue entertained Saturday evening with a most delightful St. Valentine party. After some time spent playing happy games dainty refreshments were served on a table gaily decorated with St. Valentine motifs.

The guest list included: Victoria Soga, June Hawke, Edna Doolittle, Alberta Bolton, Peggy Bettles, Patty Bansmer, LaVerne Willard, Evelyn Lotz, Tom Rickard, Raymond Leroy, Russell Moyle, Tony Cartoscelli, George Roe, Harry Odgers, George Willard, Johnnie Muscardini Hershal Lotz, Fred Hawke.

VETERANS INITIATION DURING "HELLO HOUR"

Monday evening the Veterans of Foreign Wars enjoyed their "Hello Hour" over the nation wide hookup of radios, in Pythian Castle. Two candidates, Charles Mills, of Charles Beauty Salon, and W. Wanamaker, received the degrees of the order through the special radio initiation. The veterans wives were invited and as guests after the meeting went to the Union Hotel where Julio Pinella had prepared a delicious feast. After the banquet F. Conta played accordian selections and the group enjoyed dancing to the accordion music.

AD CAMPAIGN SELLS MANY CALIF. LAMBS

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 18.—Farmers and ranchmen feeding lambs for market were saved from heavy financial losses in January as a result of the mid-winter lamb sale sponsored by the National Association of Food Chains according to a report received here by J. C. Harper, of Safeway Stores. The information was contained in a bulletin from P. O. Wilson, manager of the National Livestock Market Association, who expressed the gratification of all the sheep growers over results obtained in disposing of the large seasonal surplus of feeder lambs. A tremendous increase in lamb consumption was shown by the preliminary reports from 37,000 food chain stores participating in the campaign which continues through the month of February. Some companies reported increases in sale from 50 to 300 per cent above normal.

ISLAND FOR S. F. EXPOSITION IS ALMOST READY

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—"Treasure Island," the 400-acre man-made site of the 1939 Golden Gate International Exposition on San Francisco bay, began its second year of growth this week.

The first anniversary of the beginning of work finds the island more than three quarters complete, with three steel buildings already under way.

Work was begun February 11, 1936, when a fleet of dredges began filling in land northeast of Yerba Buena Island. The end of the first year's work today found the fill about 80 per cent complete, with the seawall 83 per cent complete. The entire island will be finished by August 1.

Buildings—the exotic exposition palaces of the future—are already going up. Steel girders are in place for the east and west hangars of the permanent airport buildings. The foundations are being laid for a terminal. The hangars will cost $400,000 each and the terminal $800,000. They will be used during the Exposition, from February 18 to December 2, 1939, as exhibit buildings, but after the exposition closes, will be integral parts of one of the world's major airports.

The dredging fleet and plant assembled on the project, according to William P. Day, the exposition's director of works, is believed to be the greatest assembly of the kind ever concentrated anywhere in the world.

The physical work of reclaiming the island from the bottom of San Francisco bay has been accomplished by the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, following plans provided by the exposition's department of works. Directing the army engineers' work are Loeut. Col. J. A. Dorst, San Francisco district engineer; and his chief of operations, Capt. F. B. Butler.

The project of filling in this island, more than a mile long and over two-thirds of a wile wide, set up the initial challenge of providing 20,000,000 cubic yards of materia. to construct 400 acres of land to level of thirteen feet above mean low water.

The secondary task was the creation of a great rock seawall, three miles in length and totaling 220,000 tons of rock, to encircle the exposition island and serve as a retaining dike against sweeping tides in and out of the Golden Gate.

A fleet of derrick barges and hustling tugs have nearly finished their task of completing the giant seawall that will encircle the site. They are now speeding up their project of depositing rock from the quarries of the north bay counties on the exposition shorewalls.

NEVADA COUNTY GROWS BEST APPLES IN STATE

County Horticultural Commissioner L. G. Lageson displayed a fine sample of Nevada county wine sap apples Wednesday that were picked from the Loma iRca orchards last fell. James Penrose, local merchant placed 100 boxes of the apples on storage as a test, selling a portion of them at Christmas time and the rest are being marketed now. The apples are firm, juicy and highly flavored. Mr. Lageson stated the loss was about one per cent to the box while in apples shipped from outside districts the loss is about 15 per cent or more. He contends Nevada county apples are superior to those grown in any of the apple districts of the Pacific slope, except in locations equal to that of this county.

DOWNIEVILLE N. S. G. W. SPONSORS SCOUT TROOP

The charter for the second new troop to be organized this year in Tahoe Area Council was received by Scout Executive Harris Ricksecker early this week. This troop, Downieville No. 34 is sponsored by the Native Sons of the Golden West, Downieville Parlor No. 92.

Sierra county now has two troops and 24 scouts. Sierra City Troop No. 33 being the first new troop in 1937. John H. Cleary will be scoutmaster of the Downieville troop with Norman Mottini, assistant scoutmaster. The troop committee is R. F. Taylor, G. H. Turner and Antonio Costa.

ROTARY CLUB HEARS SEAWELL ON LEGISLATION

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California but in the middle western states, farmers went on a tax strike. We forstalled that condition in California. We relieved the farmer and other realty owners of the school tax burden by enacting a sales tax. We returned the taxation of the utilities to the counties and that also lightened the tax burden. Then we split up the gas tax money, giving the counties a cent of the three cent tax, and the cities half a cent. Formerly there used to be a 40 cent county levy for road taxes in most counties.

"Now there is a proposal to turn all county roads over to the state. I don't see anything illogical about it. I know of a road on which only two voters reside. It is twelve miles long but it gives access to one of the main state highways. That little road is blocked with snow. Do you think the county supervisor of that district is going to open that 12-mile road with only two votes living there? No. The good roads go where the votes are."

The senator's allusion was to a road in Sierra county. He seemed to think that the counties would fare better were all the roads turned over to the state. In that event at least the county would be treated as a unit, and would not be subjected to varying degrees of prejudice or expediency which frequently governs work on county roads under the present system.

Senator Seawell closed his address with a cordial invitation to the club to consult with him or advise him in any matter in which the club or its members were interested.

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